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NO. 16

SPOKESMAN'S BRIEFING OF 7/18 LASTED ONLY 8 MINUTES. ONLY
SUBJECT COVERED WAS THE JUDGMENT OF THE COURT IN THE SLAN-
DER CASES OF MESSRS. WHITNEY AND PIPER. ASKED FOR REACTION,
SPOKESMAN SAID: "WE DEPLORE THE ACTION WHICH THE COURT HAS
TAKEN IN THE CASE OF THE TWO AMERICAN JOURNALISTS. WE ARE
MONITORING THIS CASE VERY CLOSELY. WE HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT
WITH THE TWO NEWSPAPERS, THE NEW YORK TIMES AND THE BALTI-
MORE SUN, AND WE ARE NOW CONSIDERING WHAT STEPS WE MIGHT
TAKE NEXT." SPOKESMAN REFUSED TO BE DRAWN INTO A DISCUSSION
OF WHAT "STEPS MIGHT BE UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR THE FUTURE.

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